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Coming Events

WHITMAN COIN & COLLECTIBLES BALTIMORE (SUMMER) EXPO
One West Pratt St. Baltimore, MD
June 9 - 11, 2022 Meeting on 11th at 11 room TBA

WHITMAN COIN & COLLECTIBLES BALTIMORE (WINTER) EXPO
One West Pratt St. Baltimore, MD
October 27 - 29, 2022 Meeting on 29th at 11 room TBA

SWAP MEET date in the works.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Well, it looks like the warm weather is here again. Thank goodness. We are about ready to have our third meeting since the COVID pandemic. I hope to see many more of our members at the June Meeting at the Whitman Coin Show. Your club has been active even during the "no meeting" phase of the new world order. Jane added an extra COVID Issue of the MD TAMS Journal the last two years. Thanks as usual to all those who give Jane articles to keep our Journal great and our members informed. We got a new Secretary in Lenny Cicero when Bryce Doxzon (a stalwart) stepped down due to health issues. Thanks to Len for his help in such a time of need. Please do what ever you can to help our organization become better and maintain our place in the hobby.

With this in mind, I was recently informed that our Treasurer, Bill Stratemeyer, has some health issues of his own that will prohibit him from continuing in his role as the Maryland Token and Medal Society Treasurer. This is another key position that we need to fill. Please consider jumping in and volunteering to help MD TAMS with this very important officer position. I am temporarily filling in for Bill as this position must be active. Until we get a volunteer, I will write checks, put money in the bank, etc.; however, I will only give a basic Treasurers report at the meetings. There will be no detailed report until the new Treasurer takes over. We definitely need to get someone in this key position. Please strongly consider stepping in and help MD TAMS with its finances. Also, we wish Bill only the best in his recovery efforts. Hurry back Bill. We definitely appreciated all your efforts for our great organization. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

I am trying to schedule our first Swap Meet in several years as we were forced to stop due to the pandemic. I am working with Grace United Methodist Church to schedule our next Swap Meet for September. These get togethers are great opportunities for us to get new material for our collections and to talk in depth about our hobby and collecting interests. Once scheduled, the Swap Meet will be announced and I hope to see most of you there to recharge our efforts. Stay safe and healthy and think about what you may be able to do to promote and help MD TAMS.

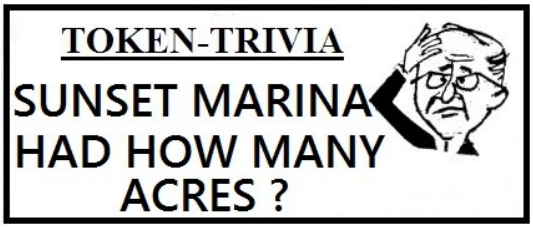
Ed Craig, President

FROM YOUR EDITOR

Hello Fellow Members

Happy Spring to one and all. Our journal is in good health right now. I can always use articles from our interesting members. Any size will be received with open joy. Remember this is your journal and each one of you need to add to the pleasure to share interesting stories to our members.

I have been busy writing some articles, too! Just look into your collection and see if there is anything that hasn't been researched yet. There are many resources that are available to use in getting information on items. Give it a try.



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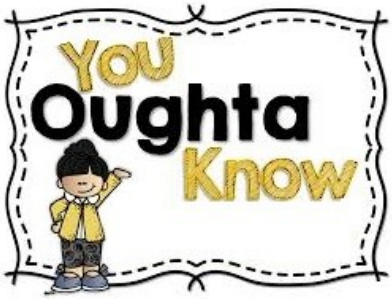

Encased Quick Reference Maverick Index by Bob Perdue is available at tokencatalog.com. It is a 92 page reference for those looking up encased coins including the whole United States.

Carl J. Doederlein & Co.

by Jane Sears LM12

obverse reverse

obv: ★ THE CARL J. DOEDERLEIN CO. ★ / (FAMILY CREST) / JEWELERS FOR FOUR GENERATIONS / BALTIMORE, MARYLAND
rev: BLANK
round 36 mm thanks Ed θ

This medal for the Carl J. Doederlein Company would be from 1937 to 1954. The clue is the listing of four generations below the family crest on the medal. Listed below is the listing of the four generations of the jewelry business. The Carl J. Doederlein Co. started when Carl expanded from his father's business and started his own business at 10 W. Saratoga Street in 1924. (Carl J. would be the third generation). In 1937, his daughter joined the firm and became the fourth generation of the family business.

The store was renamed Carl J. Doederlein Co. in 1930. The Carl J. Doederlein Co. was incorporated about 1936. In 1948 the store was located at 10 West Saratoga St. at Charles St. It was relocated to 320 N. Charles Street in 1950 with free Customer Parking at 18 W. Saratoga St. at the rear of Doederlein Bldg. Mr. Doederlein retired in October 1953. The December 2, 1953 ad shows a complete liquidation of the Doederlein Jewelers. The Doederlein Building was sold by Service Realty Company in 1955.

Carl J. Doederlein dies on October 10, 1974.

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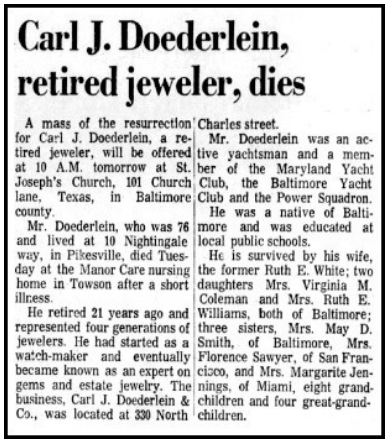
16 Jan 1944 AD



Carl J. Doederlein, retired jeweler, dies

A mass of the resurrection for Carl J. Doederlein, a retired jeweler, will be offered at 10 A.M. tomorrow at St. Joseph's Church, 101 Church lane, Texas, in Baltimore county.

Mr. Doederlein, who was 76 and lived at 10 Nightingale way, in Pikesville, died Tuesday at the Manor Care nursing home in Towson after a short illness.

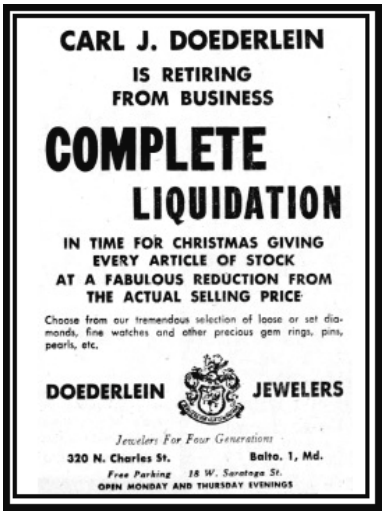
He retired 21 years ago and represented four generations of jewelers. He had started as a watch-maker and eventually became known as an expert on gems and estate jewelry. The business, Carl J. Doederlein & Co., was located at 330 North Charles street.

Mr. Doederlein was an active yachtsman and a member of the Maryland Yacht Club, the Baltimore Yacht Club and the Power Squadron.

He was a native of Baltimore and was educated at local public schools.

He is survived by his wife, the former Ruth E. White; two daughters Mrs. Virginia M. Coleman and Mrs. Ruth E. Williams, both of Baltimore; three sisters, Mrs. May D. Smith, of Baltimore, Mrs. Florence Sawyer, of San Francisco, and Mrs. Margarite Jennings, of Miami, eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Sun Papers 10 Oct 1974


CARL J. DOEDERLEIN
IS RETIRING
FROM BUSINESS
COMPLETE
LIQUIDATION
IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS GIVING
EVERY ARTICLE OF STOCK
AT A FABULOUS REDUCTION FROM
THE ACTUAL SELLING PRICE
Choose from our tremendous selection of loose or set diamonds, fine watches and other precious gem rings, pins, pearls, etc.
DOEDERLEIN JEWELERS
Jewelers For Four Generations
320 N. Charles St. Balto. 1, Md.
Free Parking 18 W. Saratoga St.
OPEN MONDAY AND THURSDAY EVENINGS

2 Dec 1953 Baltimore Sun

← NOW BACK TO THE FOUR GENERATIONS →

1ST Doederlein Jewelers, 1st Generation 1873-1880

Adolph Doederlein, jeweler and watchmaker, of Munich, Bavaria was the proprietor of a Doederlein Jewelers from about 1856 to his premature death in 1873. He was also the royal court appointed "Keeper of the Clocks" in Munich. The business was interrupted until it was reestablished by son, Ludwig Doederlein. Ludwig, born 1863, was orphaned after his father's death. Ludwig was trained in jewelry repair and as a clock and watchmaker while in the orphanage.

2ND Doederlein Jewelers, 2nd Generation 1880-1931

1880 - Ludwig left the orphanage and immigrated to the United States and worked at Oppenheim Jewelers in Baltimore, Maryland.

1898 - Ludwig returned to Munich with his family (wife and 3 children, one of which was son Carl) and briefly established Doederlein Jewelers.

1899 - Upon the death of son Alfred, Ludwig returned to the United States and opened Doederlein Jewelers in Staunton, Virginia.

1906 - Ludwig relocated business to Baltimore, Maryland.

1908 - Ludwig moved to Greenville, South Carolina and worked for Hale Jewelers.

1911- Ludwig returned to Maryland and reopened Doederlein Jewelers on East Baltimore Street in Baltimore.

1917 - Carl J. Doederlein, Ludwig's son, joined the family business, located at Park & Lexington Streets, Baltimore, Maryland.

1923 - L. Doederlein & Son watchmaker - Park Bldg 5th floor was only advertised for the year 1923.

1920-1954 The Carl J. Doederlein Company, 3rd Generation

1920 - Carl J. Doederlein began to manage the business and Doederlein Jewelers once again operates at the level originally established by Adolph Doederlein in 1856.

1930 - Store is renamed as "The Carl J. Doederlein Company" and is moved to 10 W. Saratoga Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

1953 - Carl J. Doederlein retires from the company.

1937-1954 The Carl J. Doederlein Company, 4th Generation

1937 - Virginia Doederlein (4th Generation), Carl's daughter joined the family business after apprenticing for 5 years.

1939 - Virginia Doederlein married Nelson R. Coleman, Jr. who immediately entered the family business. Nelson introduced custom design and renderings. Virginia left the family business to raise 6 sons.

1950 - The Carl J. Doederlein Company purchased the building at 318-320 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

1954- Present Nelson Coleman & Sons, Ltd. Nelson Coleman Jeweler, 5th Generation

1939 - Nelson R. Coleman Jr goes to work for Doederlein

1954 - Nelson Coleman continued the business, operating under his own name as Nelson Coleman Jewelry specialist at 333 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, Maryland. He was joined in the business by Nelson Coleman, III in 1960.

1927 - Nelson Coleman, III opened the Carriage House selling antique clocks and watches.

1980 - Nelson Coleman Jewelry specialists became Nelson Coleman & Sons, Ltd.

Sons Mark S. Coleman and Carl C. Coleman joined the family business.

1987 - Nelson retires but remains chairman of the board.

1990 - Nelson dies in January

2002 - Jewelry store moves to 307 E. Joppa Road and is renamed as Nelson Coleman Jewelers.

Nelson Coleman & Sons
Jewelers for Five Generations
332 N. CHARLES ST.

REFERENCE
Baltimore City Directories
US Census
https://nelsoncoleman.com/about-us/history/ (great source of the past generations)
Newspapers.com - Historical newspapers from 1700s - 2000s

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***WHEN SENDING IN AN AD – PLEASE INFORM EDITOR HOW MANY ISSUES IN WHICH YOU WANT IT TO APPEAR.**

WANTED: RED GOOSE MONEY / RELATED ITEMS. HOWDY DOODY PLAY MONEY. OTHER SIMILAR ITEMS. SCOTT McCLUNG, 8381-H MONTGOMERY RUN ROAD ELLICOTT CITY, MD 21043 410-868-3318 03/22

FOR SALE: Seven Court Liquors poker chips (set of 8) $10.00 plus $3.50 s&h
JANE SEARS 9323 WALTHAM WOODS RD, BALTIMORE, MD 21234 03/22

WANTED: 2018- 2019 - 2020 BONNIE BLINK TOKENS
PLEASE CONTACT - JOHN HAMMOND, 163 TIMBER LANE, HANOVER, PA 17331 1-717-634-5004 03/22

POKER CHIP SETS FOR SALE - FIVE DIFFERENT THREE CHIP SETS. EACH SET IS $10 POSTPAID, 8 IN PERSON. CONTACT ED CRAIG: **mail4elc@comcast.net** 03/22

WANTED: OPA RATION TOKENS FROM WW-II
RED TOKENS WITH LETTERS COMBO "M-M" and "M-V"
BLUE TOKENS WITH LETTER COMBO "C-X " and "W-U"
CONTACT - DON CURTIS 410-256-6752 (R-292) or donaldleocurtis@gmail.com 03/22

MSNA

Recently, our President, Ed Craig, also became President of the Maryland State Numismatic Association (MSNA). This is not Ed's first time in that office. As a matter of fact, this is his third time serving as President of MSNA. According to Ed, he was not actively seeking the office again but took the position due to a lack of candidates.

NEW MEMBER

Robert Carini from Louisville, KY (interested in Seafood picker tokens, oyster &crab tins)

GEORGE AND WARREN BROWN'S OPERATIONS IN MAGNOLIA

BY BERNIE BODT R-282

George W. Brown, born in Baltimore January 4, 1835, built a general merchandise store in Magnolia 1865. Magnolia is a small village in Southern Harford County at the southern end of State Route 152 (a.k.a. Mountain Road). George W.Brown's son J. Warren Brown was born in Baltimore August 10, 1860. In June 1884 complete control of the store was passed to J. Warren. "In 1891 J. Warren opened a canning establishment the output of which is about twelve thousand cases of tomatoes annually" as recorded by the *Portrait and Biographical Record of Harford and Cecil Counties.* J. Warren Brown was listed as a canner in various Maryland State Gazetteers through 1903.

There are several known tokens for the Browns. Since these tokens were used during the period when both the cannery and general store were in operation, they could have been used in both facilities; thus, it could have been considered a company store. Who Know?

The tokens attributed to the Brown canners are as follows:

1) G. W. B. / 3 (with small 4 overstrike, incuse)
(blank)
brass, 21 mm

2) G. W. B. / 3 (with * and 4 overstrike, incuse)
(blank)
brass, 21 mm

3) G. W. B. / 3 (with * and 5 overstrike, incuse)
(blank)
brass, 21 mm

4) G. W. B. / 50 (incuse)
(blank)
brass, 21 mm

5) J. W. B. / 3 (initials arched, incuse)
(blank)
brass, 22 mm, 12p scallop

6) J. W. B. / 3 (initials are horizontal, incuse)
(blank)
brass, 22 mm, 12p scallop

7) J. W. B. / 4 (incuse)
(blank)
brass, 23 mm, octagonal

Source:
Portrait and Biographical Record of Harford and Cecil Counties Maryland,
Chapman Publishing Co., New York, 1897.

CARROLL'S SHOES

By Jane Sears LM12

obverse reverse

OBV: CARROLL'S SHOES / (1953D penny) / 5131 PARK HEIGHTS AVE
REV: KEEP ME AND YOU WILL GOOD LUCK / (1953D penny) / HAVE (clover)
MD EC-101 MARYLAND ENCASED COINS Round 35mm Aluminum thanks Ed

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Carroll's Shoes Company was listed only in 1953-54 at 5131 Park Height Ave. In the year 1955-56 it is listed at 2126 E Monument St. Occupying the same location at the same time was the Arlington TV and Record Co. I think the short lived company might have used a corner of the shop until it moved to its new location. Before 1953, The Robert's TV Company and Hilltops Store occupied that location together. This address was opposite Pimlico Theatre in the neighbor of Pimlico. I did a Google map on the location and found it is only a one store location.

MARYLAND MILITARY MEDAL

ED CRAIG LM-22

Recently, I was looking at tokens and medals on eBay and came across one attributed to Baltimore. It stopped me in my tracks as it was a military piece from a location that was new to me. I am not a Maryland military expert by any means but this item was attributed to a military camp in Baltimore, Maryland that was unknown to me. Before I bid on the item, I wanted to do some research of my own. I took to the internet and looked for a Camp Birney. Much to my surprise, there was indeed such a military installation in Baltimore years ago. During the Civil War, Camp Belger (also known as Camp Birney) was established north of the corner of Madison Avenue and North Avenue.

Some area history may be appropriate here. Before 1870, that area of Baltimore City was called Reservoir Hill and was home to a few large estates and tenant farms. Baltimore City was growing and had a population of more than 250,000 but it had not yet reached North Avenue (Baltimore's city limits until 1889). The earliest building in the neighborhood dates to around 1790, when Dr. Solomon Brickhead established Mount Royal as his summer home. The establishment of Druid Hill Park in 1860 and the Mount Royal Reservoir in 1862 provided reasons for city residents to travel beyond city boundaries. Urban development would wait until well after the Civil War. During the Civil War, Camp Belger (also known as Camp Birney) was established.

Among the troops that trained there were the 4th U.S. Colored Troops, one of the earliest Civil War African-American companies. Christian A. Fletcher, a Baltimore-born freeman who won the Congressional Medal of Honor during the war, was mustered into service here. After streetcar lines were extended to Druid Hill Park, the first row houses were built along Madison Avenue, taking advantage of both the scenic beauty of the park and rapid transportation to downtown. By 1877, much of the west side of Madison Avenue north of Whitelock Street had been developed. The earliest houses were traditional Baltimore row houses.

The medal, that I eventually bought was a real nice piece of Maryland and Baltimore militaria. The medal has a bar at the top with crossed rifles behind a shield with 13 stars and 6 stripes. Connected to the bar by two chains is a Maltese Cross like medal. The bar and main medal appear to be copper. In the center of the Maltese Cross is a round, brass disc. The disc is encased in the cross so you can see both sides. One side show a Civil War era soldier carrying a rifle standing in front of two tents. The other side reads: CAMP / D.B. BIRNEY / 1897

The disc is approximately 16 mm.

Notice that the center of the medal is a small, round brass disc that resembles a separate medal. In fact, I have most recently seen this very same metal piece being sold separately as a military token. My guess is that it was originally part of the larger medal and was removed at some point. It may also be that whoever made the larger medals also had extra brass discs made that were never used on the medals. Regardless, both medals represent some of Baltimore's very interesting military past.

Military token, Camp Birney, MD
23rd Penn. Zouaves
Gilt brass 13mm

Thanks to Jane Sears for helping me with the photos.

Burholme Motors Inc.

By Jane Sears LM12

obverse reverse

Obv: BURHOLME MOTORS, INC. / OLDEST DODGE DEALER / (1953D penny) / IN THE NORTHEAST / 7253 RISING SUN AVE.
Rev: KEEP ME AND YOU WILL GOOD LUCK / HAVE / (1953D) / clover
round 35mm aluminum Thanks Ed

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This encased coin is listed in our Maryland Encased Coins by Millard Hajek. It's catalog number was **MD 3C-214** under Silver Spring, Maryland. Further research into the location has it at Rising Sun and Cottman Street, Phildalphia, Pennsylvania 19012. So Maryland TAMS members adjust your inventory. This isn't Maryland anymore.

SUNSET MARINA, OCEAN CITY, MD ---- POOL PASS

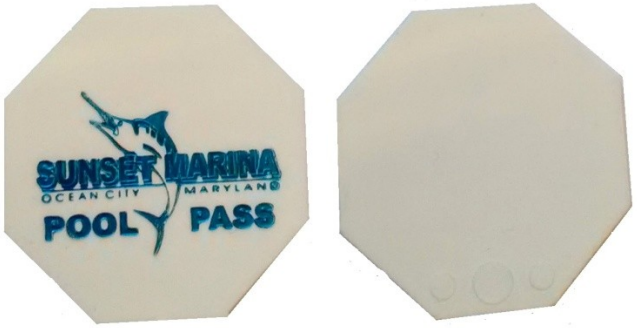
ED CRAIG LM-22

When you go to West Ocean City to get one of those great Orange Crushs at Harborside, you will be right across the road from Sunset Marina. Sunset Marina is about 77 acres that was developed in 1998. The first phase of the Marina project opened in July, 1999. Their website states that the "man made basin encompasses over 21 acres of well protected water just 1/4 of a mile from the Atlantic Ocean." The marina is a full-service operation which has berthing ...., two pools, a super restaurant (Sunset Grille), fitness center, laundry facilities, etc. I highly recommend the Sunset Grille, especially for lunch as they have some great weekday specials.

Here are three examples of tokens used as passes/tags at the Sunset Marina pools:

OBV: SUNSET MARINA / OCEAN CITY MARYLAND / POOL PASS (ALL TEXT IS OVER TOP OF A MARLIN LOGO)
REV: BLANK

This token is octagonal, white plastic with blue writing, 39 mm



OBV: (HOLE AT THE TOP) / SUNSET MARINA / OCEAN CITY MARYLAND / POOL PASS (ALL TEXT IS OVER TOP OF A MARLIN LOGO)
REV: BLANK

This token is octagonal, white plastic with blue writing, 39 mm

OBV: SUNSET MARINA / OCEAN CITY MARYLAND / POOL PASS (ALL TEXT IS OVER TOP OF A MARLIN LOGO)
REV: 2000
This token is octagonal, red plastic with white writing, 39 mm

You may have noticed that I spend some time in Ocean City, Maryland. I have since I was a kid. I like it there. Why don't you write a MD TAMS Journal article about one of your tokens. Let other collectors know what Maryland exonumia is around and document it for those that come after us. Give it some thought. Thanks to Jane Sears for helping me with the photos.

MD TAMS MAVERICKS INDENTIFIED-6

by Jane Sears LM12

Continuing cataloguing of Maryland indentified tokens listed in the following references:

1) Maryland Merchant Tokens by David Schenkman - MD TAMS 1986
2) Maryland Unlisted Merchant Tokens 2009
3) Maryland TAMS Journal 1979-2020
   1992-93 Journal Listings
4) Tokencatalogue.com

MARYLAND UNLISTED MERCHANT TOKENS" 2009

BALTIMORE 60 **B68-2½**
obv: BALTO. WASTE CO. 2 ½
rev: blank
round brass 24mm
The Baltimore Waste Company appeared to move a lot in the directories.
1891 904 Ensor St
1895 301 East Falls Ave
1896 217 E. Baltimore St
1905 301 East Falls Ave
1946 826 Greenmount Ave
1953 521 w. Lee St
1969 Boston St at Linwood

BALTIMORE 60 **J-18-10**
obv: JANIAK'S / 1901 / GOUGH ST.
rev: GOOD FOR / 10¢ / IN TRADE
round aluminum 22mm
1956-58 Janiak Restaurant & Bar cor of Wolfe

BALTIMORE 60 **A20-5**
obv: AMEND'S CAFÉ / 3531 / GOUGH / STREET
rev: GOOD FOR / ¢ 5 ¢ / IN TRADE
round aluminum 20mm
Other business located at this address, - 1926 August Goebel Café and 1938 Cecelia's Café (Russ Sears). John Joseph Amend ran his bar and restaurant in 1934-35

BALTIMORE 60 **E46**
obv: B.P.O.E / NO. 7
rev: GOOD FOR / CTS / IN TRADE
round aluminum 32mm
Attribution by Jim Boswell, BPOE Directories.
Baltimore Lodge No. & B. P. O. Elks 307-09 West Fayette St.

BALTIMORE 60 **R193-25**
obv: GOOD AT / THE / ROYAL
rev: 25 in cirle of rays
round brasss 24mm

obv: THE ROYAL / BALTO / MD / 420 MYRTLE AVE.
rev: GOOD FOR / 5¢ / IN MERCHANDISE
round aluminum 20mm UNLISTED **TC-447656**
Café and restaurant listed in 1935 and again in 1996 as a jazz club and restaurant.

BALTIMORE 60 **P3**
obv: PALACE / BILLARD PARLOR
rev: GWB (entwined initials)
round brass 21mm
attribution tentative (came from a two token lot with the other attributed to Baltimore)
Maryland TAMS Journal Spring 1998 (Millard Hajek) 1908 Gus Wade was manager.

MARYLAND MERCHANT TOKENS - MD TAMS - DAVID E. SCHENKMAN 1986

BALTIMORE **R50-2** obv: PAUL REICH, / 2300 / HARFORD AVE.
rev: GOOD FOR / 2¢WITH ONE / EMPTY BOTTLE
round brass 24mm

BALTIMORE **R50-4** obv: PAUL REICH, / 2300 / HARFORD AVE.
rev: GOOD FOR / 4¢ / WITH TWO / EMPTY BOTTLES
xcalloped (8) brass 29mm

BALTIMORE **R50-15** obv: PAUL REICH, / 2300 / HARFORD AVE.
rev: GOOD FOR / 15¢ / WITH SIX / EMPTY BOTTLES
octagonal brass 26mm
Attribution not verified
1916-21 J. Paul Reich & wife

MARYLAND MERCHANT TOKENS - MD TAMS - DAVID E. SCHENKMAN 1986

BALTIMORE **T75** obv: TONY'S / CAFÉ / 608 W. / LEXINGTON / ST.
rev: ★ GOOD FOR ★ / 5 / IN TRADE
round brass 22mm
Tony's Café at 608 W. Lexington Street was operated by Anthony Joseph Culotta and his wife Mary. The café started in 1910 and continued until 1958.

GREEN'S CAFÉ

by Jane Sears LM12

obverse reverse

obv: GREEN'S / CAFÉ / 1725 / N. REGESTER / ST. / BALTIMORE, MD.
rev: GOOD FOR / ¢ 5 ¢ / IN TRADE
aluminum octagonal 20mm **G110**
"Maryland Merchant Tokens – MD TAMS – David E. Schenkman 1986" Thanks Ed & Rich

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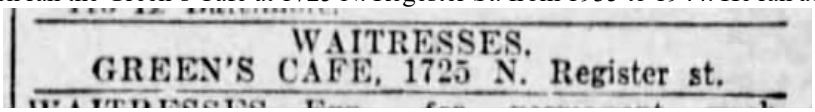
Joseph Elmer Green ran the Green's Café at 1725 N. Regester St. from 1935 to 1944. He ran advertisements for waitresses from 1937 thru 1941.

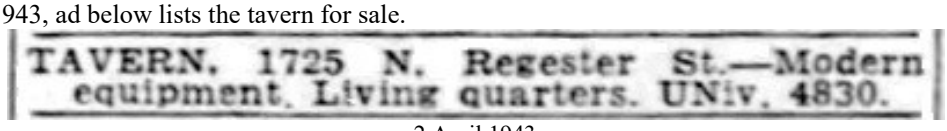

WAITRESSES.
GREEN'S CAFE, 1725 N. Register st.

26 August 1937

An article on January 7, 1943 – States that a 41 year old Glenn L. Martin Company machinist - Joseph E. Green was charged with shooting and killing his father-in-law and shooting a 68 year old tavern patron. The police were summoned to Green's Cafe a 172 North Regester Street at 1:14 A.M. They found John J. Connor slumped in a tavern chair bleeding and unconscious with a head wound to the back of the head. They followed Mrs. Green up stairs to a second floor bedroom where they found her father Andrew Ahles, 66 who was shot in the stomach. The police held Green without bail for a further hearing. (Which I have not found any other articles dealing with the murder investigation and sentencing). Mr. Green stated that he was innocent. The police found the murder weapon (a double barreled shot gun) in a kitchen cabinet. The wounded men were transported to St. Joseph's Hospital where Connor was admitted in "extremely serious" condition and Ahles was pronounced dead on arrival.

I am leaving this story in limbo. There is no following story or information on the condition of Mr. Connor or if Joseph Green was sentenced to the crime. Who were the witnesses, did Mrs. Green run the Café, did they live there and who was the killer?

The April 2, 1943, ad below lists the tavern for sale.


TAVERN. 1725 N. Regester St.—Modern equipment. Living quarters. UNiv. 4830.

2 April 1943

Maybe the ad above gives a clue to what might of happened to the family and our country was fighting WWII.

COLOVIRAS BROS.

by Jane Sears LM12

obverse

reverse

obv: COLOVIRAS BROS. / 218 E. BALTO ST (incuse)
rev: 97 (incuse)
brass 32mm octagon holed at top thanks Ed

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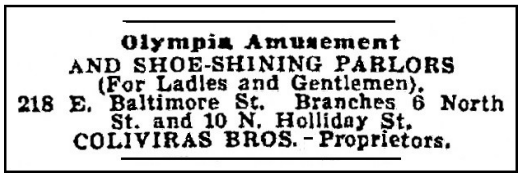
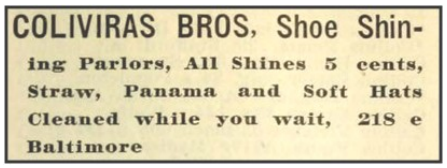
The Coloviras Bros. token appears to have an incorrect spelling. The name is accurately "Coliviras". This token was a customer token for paid services, like the Emile Caye barber shop tokens written about in our journal.

The Coliviras Brothers were from Tripoliza, Greece. One of the brothers was John J. who came to the United States in 1896. The brother's company business started in Baltimore in 1903. The Coliviras Brothers were promoters of Greek Shoe-Shining Parlors. The brothers included John J., George C., Harry G. & William J. John was the oldest of the brothers. They were listed in the Baltimore Directories under bootblackers from 1903 to 1910. From 1911 to 1915 they were listed at Coliviras & Company. Harry Coliviras and August Barlo located at 218 E. Baltimore St.



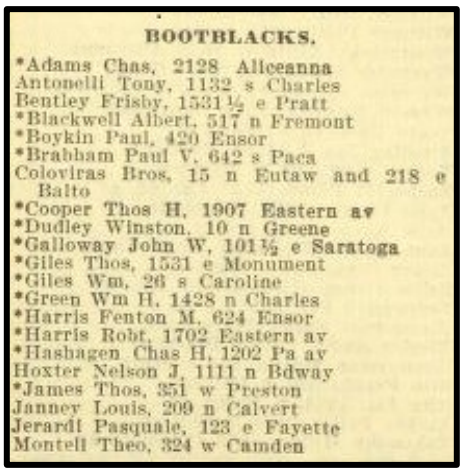
Olympia Amusement
AND SHOE-SHINING PARLORS
(For Ladies and Gentlemen).
218 E. Baltimore St. Branches 6 North St. and 10 N. Holliday St.
COLIVIRAS BROS. - Proprietors.

Baltimore American 3-11-1903



COLIVIRAS BROS, Shoe Shining Parlors, All Shines 5 cents, Straw, Panama and Soft Hats Cleaned while you wait, 218 e Baltimore

1907 Ad - Baltimore City Directory



BOOTBLACKS.

*Adams Chas, 2128 Allceanna
Antonelli Tony, 1132 s Charles
Bentley Frisby, 1531½ e Pratt
*Blackwell Albert, 517 n Fremont
*Boykin Paul, 420 Ensor
*Brabham Paul V, 642 s Paca
Coloviras Bros, 15 n Eutaw and 218 e Balto
*Cooper Thos H, 1907 Eastern av
*Dudley Winston, 10 n Greene
*Galloway John W, 101½ e Saratoga
*Giles Thos, 1531 e Monument
*Giles Wm, 26 s Caroline
*Green Wm H, 1428 n Charles
*Harris Fenton M, 624 Ensor
*Harris Robt, 1702 Eastern av
*Hasbagen Chas H, 1202 Pa av
Hoxter Nelson J, 1111 n Bdway
*James Thos, 351 w Preston
Janney Louis, 209 n Calvert
Jerardi Pasquale, 123 e Fayette
Montell Theo, 324 w Camden

1908 Baltimore City Directory

A Greek Bootblack parlor in D.C. 1922

A **Bootblacker** is an occupation in which a person cleans and buffs shoes and then applies a waxy paste to give a shiny appearance and a protective coating. They are often known as shoeshine boys because the job was traditionally done by a male child. Most of the individuals that were listed were black and were annotated with a * before their name. A negro bootblack would hum the tune "The Camp Meeting Blues" and in rhythm to this tune, drawing the shingy shoe-rag so taut at each stroke that it snapped like a banjo string. The Greek method may be about the same. Other synonyms are shoeshiner, boot polisher and shoeblack.

Through most of the years they were listed at 218 E. Baltimore which was John's address. They had more than one store. Other locations were 6 North, 10 N. Holliday, 22 W. Baltimore, 209 N. Calvert, 713 E. Lexington and 15 N. Eutaw. Most bootblackers were located on street corners or in front of stores. John was listed as a hat cleaner from 1913 to 1924 when he moved out of Baltimore.

Passport Application Ad Photo

According to his 1921 Passport application John J. Coliviras was born on February 5, 1880 in Tripoliza, Greece. He migrated to the United States in 1896. He became an U. S. Citizen in 1921 at the Baltimore Circuit Court. He lived in the U. S. from 1896 to 1921 in Buffalo, NY, Youngtown, OH and Chicago, Ill. and Baltimore, MD.

Now days, shoeshiners are in lobbies of ritzy hotels, airports and train stations. Average people today just got a can shoe wax and polished their own shoes or wear tennis shoes. It was a time in the past that is long gone.

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EDITOR NOTE: In 1904, The National Child Labor Committee (NCLC) was formed. It was reported that they checked into the conditions of the bootblacking children.

MD TAMS SWAP

September Swap Meet

KARSON'S RESTAURANT

by Jane Sears LM12

obverse reverse

Obv: KARSON'S / RESTAURANT / 4706 / HOLABIRD AVE. / BALTIMORE
Rev: GOOD FOR / 5 ¢ / IN TRADE
brass 19mm round **K35**

In 1926 George and Mary Karson opened a grocery store & luncheonette; a bar was added in 1933.
"Maryland Merchant Tokens – MD TAMS – David E. Schenkman 1986" thanks Ed

Karson's restaurant started as a family business in 1926 by George Robert Karson (1901-1943) and Mary his wife (1903-1944). George Karson name was originally Krasonjka of Yugoslav descent and they came from Pittsburgh Pennsylvania to find work. They started a small grocery store and luncheonette at 4706 Holabird Avenue. It was surrounded by the Canton Industrial Park. General Motors was built in 1935 and Western Electric in 1930. Hector Products was a soap company which was taken over by Lever Brothers. The grocery store became a Karson's Café in 1933. With passing of their parents George Jr and Rudolf (Rudy) continued their parent's tavern business in 1943. They went into the army in 1945 and when they returned the streetcar line had altered the route that pass their business. So they moved to a new building in the 5100 block of Holabird Avenue. In 1950, it became a restaurant and tavern. A dining room was added in 1957 and another room was added in 1962. The No. 62 bus marked to Dundalk ran right to their door.

The restaurant was able to serve 300 people. The dinner menu ranged from $5 to $15. Monday through Thursday they catered to serving salesmen. Saturday was Jewish night and Sunday was family day. It was a family home-style atmosphere.

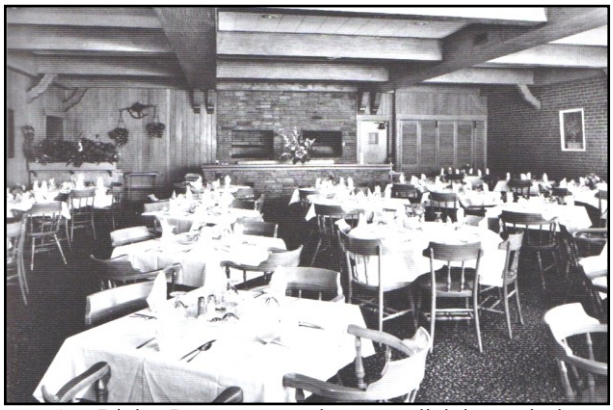
In the 1970's the restaurant starting offering menus divided into three sections:

1) For the Hearty Appetite - a big portion with 2 vegetable $8 to $9
2) Less Hearty - salads, sandwiches and dinners with 1 vegetable (a couple of dollars less than above).
3) Specials that changed daily

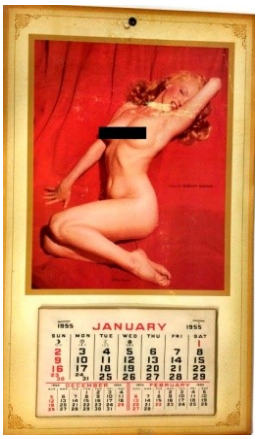
The restaurant closed in 1998 after being in business for 72 years (1928-1998) and the building was demolished.

In 1999, a public auction was held to sell the estate of the Karson's Restaurant. Nautical items that was part of the decorations of the restaurant was also sold.

Karson's Inn sign in front of restaurant



One Dining Room - atmosphere was slightly nautical
Dundalk- Patapsco Neck Historical Society museum



1955 Marilyn Monroe calendar give-a-way

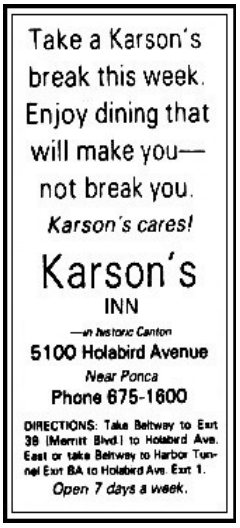
CUCUMBER SALAD

2 mild onions	½ cup tarragon vinegar
2 large cucumbers	1 tsp. sugar
salt	pepper
water	

Peel onions and cucumbers and cut into wafer-thin slices. Cover with salted ice water and let stand in refrigerator for several hours. Drain and add ¼ cup cold water, vinegar, sugar and salt and pepper to taste. Makes 4-6 servings.

Variation: After draining onion and cucumber, add ½ cup sour cream and ½ cup tarragon vinegar and garnish with chopped chives.

Favorite of Karson's



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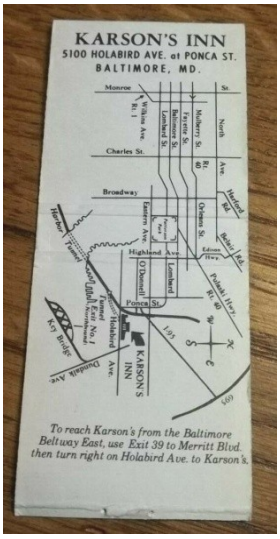
The Baltimore Sun



Match cover
map of bus route inside

RUTAN CHEVROLET SALES, INC.

by Jane Sears LM12

obverse

reverse

Obv: RUTAN CHEVROLET SALES, INC. / (1948 penny) / WESTMINSTER / MARYLAND
Rev: KEEP ME AND NEVER GO BROKE / (1948 penny) / (clover)
UNLISTED round 35mm aluminum thanks Ed

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NOW THE MINUTES

MINUTES OF MARYLAND TOKEN AND MEDAL SOCIETY

DATE: April 2, 2022

LOCATION: Baltimore Convention Center, Room 301

ATTENDANCE: 7 Members No Guests

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: at 11 AM by President Ed Craig

TREASURER REPORT: Ed Craig read the report for Bill Stratemeyer,

COMMITTEE REPORTS: The results of the election were read by Ed.

OLD BUSINESS: The subject of a commemorative coin honoring Millard Hajek, our first president was brought up and Ed Craig said that there were also some deceased deserving members, who also deserved honoring. The cost of a metal coin was thought to be rather expensive and required too much work. It was decided to look into doing a commemorative poker chips. Also, President Craig noted that he has a list of folks who attended the last meeting. These folks will be given the remaining four 40th Anniversary chips to complete the set. At the next meeting you can purchase the complete set of 40th Anniversary chip set or buy individually to complete their sets. Journal Editor Jane Sears noted that our website is out of date as we have a new PO Box. She sent a note to our webmaster, but the problem is not yet fixed. Ed Craig said he also needs to inform NTCA of our new PO Box change.

NEW BUSINESS: Jane Sears brought the subject of a "Dues Increase" due to the cost of the Journal. A motion was put forward and passed to increase Dues by $2.00, now the yearly Dues will be $17.00 and $8.50 for the half year starting in 2023. It was decided to try to schedule our 2022 Swap Meet for September 10, 2022, President Craig will contact the church to schedule.

Tracy Ibberson asked about the award he is to receive for New Author Award. Jane Sears would take care of that.

SHOW & TELL: There was a brief show and tell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Each member attending was given a bag of Maryland exonumia from the club.

RECESS: To View Auction lots.

AUCTION: Ed Craig was auctioneer. There were 21 member lots and several of the remaining giveaway bags. The MD TAMS treasury got $17.00.

MEETING ADJOURNED: at 12 pm

NEXT MEETING: Whitman Show, June 10, 2022.

MARYLAND TOKEN AND MEDAL SOCIETY, INC.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name (Print)_____ Membership number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Birth Date: _____ Occupation: _____

E mail address: _____

My collecting interests are: _____

Other Numismatic Affiliations: _____

I hereby apply for membership in the MARYLAND TOKEN AND MEDAL SOCIETY, INC. subject to it Constitution and Bylaws. Applicants under 16 years of age must have Parent/Guardian signature

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

( ) Yes, you may publish my name, address and e-mail address in the MD TAMS JOURNAL Membership Roster.

( ) No, publish my name only in the MD TAMS JOURNAL Membership Roster.

Recommended by: _____ MD TAMS # _____

A $17.00 fee must accompany this application for full current year dues. Members who join after Oct. 1st should enclose $8.50 for membership through MARCH 31st. APRIL begins a NEW dues year. (LIFE MEMBERSHIP $300.00)

Mail to: **MD TOKEN & MEDAL SOCIETY P.O. BOX 28253 PARKVILLE, MD 21234**

NEW ADDRESS Effective Date: _____

NAME _____ MD TAMS # _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

ZIP _____

MARYLAND TOKEN AND MEDAL SOCIETY, INC. – CLASSIFIED AD FORM

Mail to: *Jane Sears 9323 Waltham Woods Rd., Baltimore, MD 21234-1550*

Email to: marysears@comcast.net

Please accept the following classified ad of 25 words or less for publication in the next issue of the Journal. I understand that the deadlines are: ***Feb. 15; May 15; Aug. 15 and Nov. 15***

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Note to Editor: I have exceeded my 25 word free limit. I understand I am charged at a rate of 10 cents per word over the 25 word limit. Enclosed is $ _____ for _____ additional word.